

Appropriations 101

Federal spending is divided into three categories:

MANDATORY SPENDING
is automatic, because it funds programs that are required by law.

DISCRETIONARY SPENDING
is decided by Congress through the annual appropriations process.

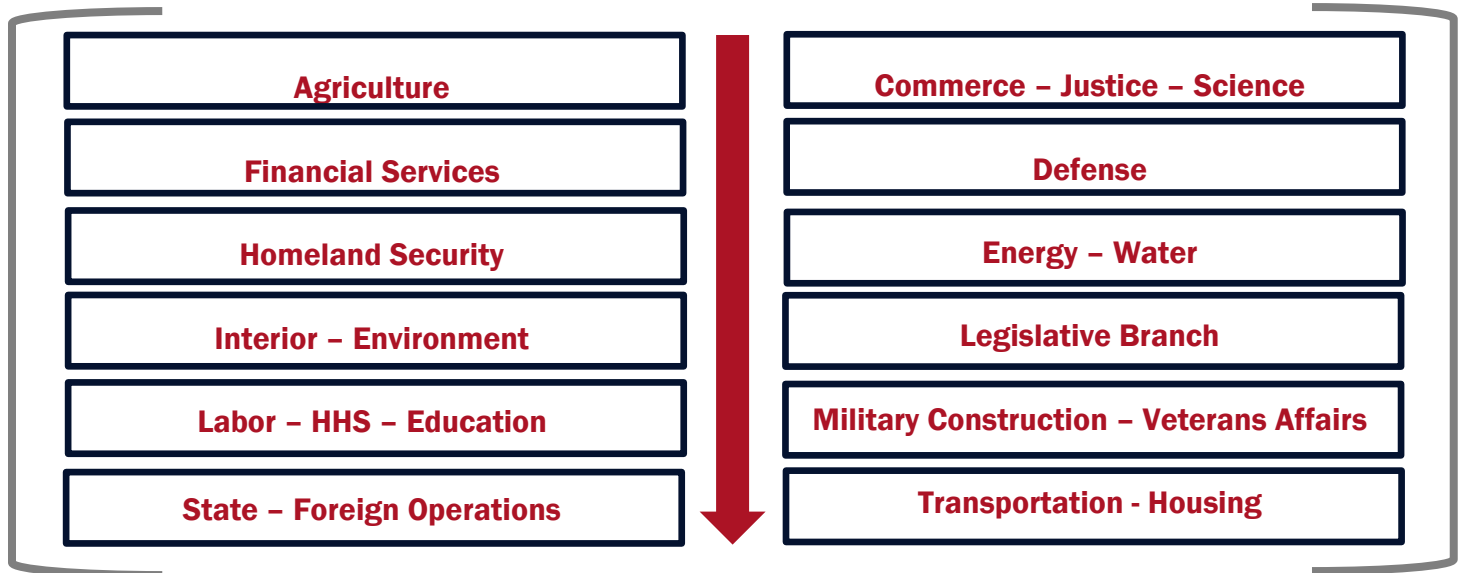
NET INTEREST
is the government's interest payments on debt.



12 APPROPRIATIONS BILLS
move through the House Committee on Appropriations.
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016

**ALL 12 APPROPRIATIONS BILLS
HAVE PASSED THE COMMITTEE.**

**6 APPROPRIATIONS BILLS HAVE
PASSED THE HOUSE FLOOR.**



THE SENATE HAS PASSED 1 APPROPRIATIONS BILL.
FUNDING FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RUNS OUT ON DEC. 11, 2015.



All appropriations bills will be combined into the

2016 OMNIBUS SPENDING PACKAGE